

Remarks

This Supplemental Preliminary Amendment is being filed to amend the Claims for compliance with the new Rule 1.75 effective November 1, 2007 (the 5/25 Rule). The total Claims have been reduced from 38 to 25 and there is one independent Claim.

Further, Claim 1 is amended to include the limitation of Claim 21, i.e. that the switch comprises a rectangular body with an upwardly projecting actuator and connection terminals, to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the present invention over the prior art. In the IDS filed on February 5, 2007, U.S. Patent 5,201,408 issued April 13, 1993 to Torres et al was cited. U.S. Patent 5,201,408 was previously cited in the PCT Search Report and discloses a housing for an electric snap action switch. However, the push button assembly of the present invention can accommodate a conventional microswitch behind a mounting panel, whereas the prior art teaches the use of only a printed circuit board (PCB) switch. Therefore, Applicant believes that independent Claim 1 (as amended) is now patentable and that dependent Claims 2-25 are likewise patentable.

Applicant is making this amendment of Claim 1 at this time to advance the Examination of this Application because of the

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Applicant's concern about infringement of his current switch products.

Applicant requests that this Preliminary Amendment be entered, that the Application be examined, that Claims 1-25 be allowed, and that the Application be sent to issue.

If there are any questions, we urge the Examiner to call. Please charge any costs in connection with this document to our Deposit Account No. 16-0875.

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